The Abuse Registry for the State of Tennessee is maintained by the Tennessee Department of Health. The Abuse Registry includes names of persons involved in abusive, neglectful or exploitative acts towards vulnerable persons. The names on the Abuse Registry are initially submitted for placement from various Departments and Divisions of Tennessee State Government who oversee the protection and welfare of vulnerable persons.

Under the Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.) provider agencies must check the Abuse Registry before hiring a worker or volunteer. If a person is listed on the Abuse Registry that person can not be hired or permitted to provide care. For a complete review see Title 68, Chapter 11, Section 1006 of the Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A. 68-11-1006).

Because the list of names listed here is not an all inclusive list, **providers are** required to check applicants through the Tennessee Department of Health Abuse Registry. (See link on this site).

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